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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
FROM: Walter Elder
Executive Secretary
SUBJECT: Revision of DCI Directives: Status Report

1. Action Requested: None; this is the second and penultimate status report on this exercise and is for your information only.

2. Scorecard: All the existing DCI directives have been reviewed; with the following results:

Work has been completed on 14 directives. Five have been revised, coordinated, approved, and published. Four have been rescinded. Five new directives have been written, coordinated, approved, and published. Running total: 14.

Four more revised directives have been forwarded to the DCI for approval. Running total: 18.

Two more revised directives are being coordinated by appropriate Intelligence Community entities. Running total: 20

One directive is being reviewed by the DDCI. Running total: 21

Five directives are being reviewed and revised, and will be submitted for review after the completion of other relevant actions. Running total: 26

Four revised or new directives are under internal review and will be submitted shortly for review by the DDCI. Running total: 30

There are thirteen other directives which have been revised, but responses from various components have been pending for various reasons and for various periods of time. This log-jam will be broken by the end of June. Total: 43

Forty-three also happens to be the number of existing directives. Rescissions and new directives cancel each other out.

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Amplifying details on the scorecard are in the attachment to this memorandum.

3. Objectives: Original and Revised: I have found no reason to deviate from the original goal of a set of directives which will stand independently of the existing set of National Security Council Intelligence Directives. (NSCIDs)

Whether or not there should be NSCIDs as well as DCIDs remains an open question, and this issue will be addressed in my final status report. There are a very small number of activities which are not covered by E.O. 12333 and will require a new directive, whether it be a DCID or an NSCID. There are three promising approaches:

- a. Rescind the existing series of NSCIDs as superseded by E.O. 12333 and the revised series of DCI directives.
- b. Revise the existing NSCIDs to cover areas not included in E.O. 12333.
- c. Amend or amplify E.O. 12333 to close the gaps.

The two-volume approach has proved to be useful and generally acceptable.

4. Citation: I have received especially wise guidance from Admiral Inman and look forward to John McMahon's leadership.

Hundreds of people in the Intelligence Community have been helpful, and it is their willingness to cooperate which will continue to drive this exercise to an early and successful conclusion. There are still pockets of parochialism, but I am impressed by the recognition of the fact that the Intelligence Community should rally in support of the DCI. I would not have said that some years ago.

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Scorecard

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